

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8735**  
Yoshihiro OHMIYA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2008\_0957  
Serial No. 10/537,971 : Group Art Unit 1656  
Filed June 9, 2005 : Examiner Suzanne M. Noakes  
MONITOR PROTEIN FOR MEASURING  
PROCESSING OF PROTEIN : **Mail Stop: AF**

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 8, 2008, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency  
or to credit any overpayment associated with this  
communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.*